

AT BOUCHER'S REQUEST FCC APPROVES ACTIVATION OF FRIES CELL PHONE TOWER

Approval Will Expand Cell Phone Service in the Town of Fries and Surrounding Areas of Grayson County

(Washington, D.C.) - At the request of U.S. Representative Rick Boucher, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) today approved the activation of the Fries cell phone tower. U.S. Cellular has announced its intension to commence the provision of cell phone service from the tower forthwith, which will boost and expand cell phone service in the Town of Fries and surrounding areas of Grayson County.

"Citizens of Fries have long awaited expanded and more reliable cell phone service. I have been working with the FCC for several months to ensure the activation of the Fries cell tower, and I am pleased that the FCC has today agreed to this request," said Boucher.

The cell tower, located just outside of the Fries town limits, was constructed by U.S. Cellular in December 2005 and has been awaiting necessary approval since that time. Today's action by the FCC will allow activation of the tower to commence this afternoon or tomorrow morning, and it is anticipated that final approval will be given by the FCC by August of this year.

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